GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF FOOD RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has received any request from the Government of Kerala seeking financial assistance for setting up a Food Research Institute in Pathanamthitta district;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance provided/sanctioned by the Union Government for this project?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Food Processing Industries had received a proposal from Government of Kerala on 4.11.2004 for setting up of Food Research Institute on 100 acres campus at Konni in the State of Kerala at an estimated cost of Rs. 95.33 crores. The Government of Kerala were informed that the schemes of this Ministry do not have provision for setting up such an institute. However, Ministry of Food Processing Industries has already approved a grant of Rs.

5.0 crore to Council for Food Research & Development, Government of Kerala at Konni, for setting up of Food Quality Monitoring Laboratories.